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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS**

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed May 4, 2007, submitted herewith is the Inventors' Declaration. Credit card payment for the required surcharge fee of \$130.00 is being submitted via EFS-WEB.

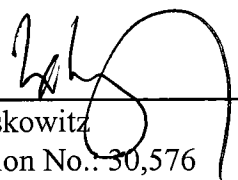
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Respectfully submitted,

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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

- Copy of the International Application filed on 09/11/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 09/11/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 09/11/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 09/11/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 09/11/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 09/11/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 09/11/2006
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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
  - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

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**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.

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